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A.J.C. Starts Study Of Frictions And Program To Overcome Conflict

Details of a new scientific attack on anti-Semitism and other minority problems in the United States were announced by the American Jewish Congress which has created a Commission on Community Interrelations to carry out the job. The attack is based on a two-fold approach — to study the reasons for tension and conflict and to conduct an action program to overcome religious and racial frictions.

The announcement was made at the offices of the Commission on Community Interrelations, 212 West 50th Street, by Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, president of the American Jewish Congress, and Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the Congress' Executive Committee; Henry Epstein, former solicitor general of the State of New York, who is chairman of the Commission; and Dr. Kurt Lewin, eminent social psychologist, who originated the idea of the Commission and is its chief consultant.

The American Jewish Congress has underwritten its new Commission for a period of five years of operation, they said. The Commission has assembled a staff and advisory boards that include many of the country's outstanding social scientists and community leaders, both Jews and Gentiles, whites and Negroes. Charles E. Hendry, former national director of research for the Boy Scouts of America, is coordinator of research in charge of over-all operations. Associate coordinator is Bernard Gittelson, who was director of research for New York State's Commission Against Discrimination which drafted New York's recently-enacted anti-discrimination law.

A feature of the undertaking is a close tie-up that has been arranged with a new agency, the Rogosin Foundation, also set up for a period of five years to carry out a leadership training program for key men and women in various American communities. Persons eligible to participate will be brought to New York for special courses in community relations. The Foundation is financed by Israel Rogosin, New York textile manufacturer, and housed in the Commis-

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Ben-Gurion Says Jews Will Enter Palestine Without Permits

"Asserting that "many, many thousands" of Jews without permits would try to enter Palestine in the coming months, David Ben-Gurion, chairman of the executive committee of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, called for an immediate end to restrictions on legal entry.

With the war in Europe ended, "you cannot prevent Jews from coming to Palestine without shooting them," Mr. Ben-Gurion declared at the Hotel Commodore, in New York. He had conferred in London with British officials. He hopes to see high officers of the United States Government also regarding Palestine.

"When the Arabs realize that the great powers mean what they say about Palestine, Arab opposition, which comes mainly from a small clique, will cease," the visitor asserted.

He reported that the Jewish Agency planned to help 1,000,000 additional Jews — about 600,000 from Europe and 400,000 from the Near East—to settle in Palestine within five years. He said informal surveys showed at least that number anxious to enter the country.

With some 60,000 Jews now occupying 400,000 acres in Palestine, the agency believes that "ten times as many Jews" could be established there without overcrowding, Mr. Ben-Gurion said. He added that "simply telling them not to come will not prevent their coming."

Ben-Gurion, seeking support for unlimited immigration of his people to the Holy Land, dropped a strong hint that Prime Minister Churchill is still willing.

He began a lively press conference by saying that when the Chamberlain White Paper of 1939 restricted immigration, Mr. Churchill warned that "despairing Jews will resist." Next, Mr. Ben-Gurion named the Prime Minister among those in England who yet are "pledged to the fulfillment of Britain's international obligation in Palestine." He added finally that he believes reversal awaits only active American government support.

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Eager Praise Of Citizens Given Oswego Refugees To Help Them Remain In U.S.

The 969 "duration guests" at the Fort Ontario, N.Y., refugee shelter were described as "equal to, if not superior to, any group that has come to the United States from a foreign land during the nation's history."

The testimony, by Harry C. Mixen, was given at the closing session of two days of hearings conducted by a sub-committee of the House Committee on Immigration to determine whether the refugees should be permitted to remain in the United States pending determination of their status as displaced persons.

Mr. Mixen, an attorney who is chairman of the Oswego citizens Fort Ontario advisory committee, was one of a group of Oswego citizens called to testify before the committee headed by Rep. Sam Dickstein, (Democrat of New York).

—Testimony that refugee children have made an exceptional record in the schools of Oswego concluded a hearing by a Congressional sub-committee examining the situation of the 969 European refugees now sheltered in this former Army post.

Hope that virtually all the refugees might be admitted to the United States as immigrants, and that they then can undertake to become citizens, was expressed by Representative Samuel Dickstein, Democrat, of New York, chairman of the House committee on immigration and naturalization, in a statement after the hearing ended. The subcommittee is a part of Mr. Dickstein's committee.

Mr. Dickstein said four approaches to a solution to the problem present themselves under existing laws. He announced he will convene his full committee as soon as possible to prepare a recommendation, and said he is sure a majority of the committee would support the proposal to free the refugees immediately from the restrictions now imposed upon them and to open the way for their admission to the United States.

The only dissent to this was expressed by Representative O. C. Fisher, Democrat, of Texas, who declared the committee's authority is limited and that the problem is one that should be left to the Attorney General and the Immigration Service.

Of his four solutions, Mr. Dick-

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J.D.C. Relief Teams To Work At Former Nazi Camps

Relief teams of medical and social workers organized by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and operating under permission granted by SHAEF, are scheduled to depart momentarily for now-liberated Nazi concentration camps in Germany to aid thousands of Jews once imprisoned in them. This was made known by Dr. Joseph J. Schwartz, European director of the Committee, who has supervised its relief operations in Europe during the past five years, and who has returned to the U.S. after an eight-month tour of the continent.

Dr. Schwartz said that as many as ten teams will soon be engaged in this program, permission for J.D.C. representatives to go into the concentration camps having been granted by SHAEF just before he left Paris. The teams will be attached to the Army and will work in close coordination with UNRRA. He said that the workers will put the former prisoners in touch with surviving relatives; afford them medical aid and help in the planning for their ultimate resettlement; aid in the evacuation of children to those countries which have agreed to accept them for temporary asylum. Their immediate task is to select 800 children to be evacuated from Buchenwald to Switzerland.

The camps where the J.D.C. representatives will work initially include Buchenwald, Dachau, Belsen, and Salzwedel. Speaking before a press conference in New York, Dr. Schwartz said that 535 children who had "miraculously survived the horrors of Buchenwald," have been admitted to

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Yeshiva Head Calls New Doctrines Poison

Declaring that there is a "dangerous trend" within Jewish ranks today, Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva College, New York, warned students of Judaism against being "misled by the so-called 'new doctrines' and 'new thoughts' which are in reality intellectual and religious poison."

Dr. Belkin spoke at the fourteenth annual commencement exercise of the college in the Nathan Lamport Auditorium, Amsterdam Avenue and 187th Street. Sixty-four Bachelor of Arts degrees, five Doctor of Hebrew Literature degrees and ten religious teachers' diplomas were awarded to the graduates in the presence of 1,500 relatives and friends.

There are some Jewish scholars, Dr. Belkin said, who have begun to interpret Judaism as an expression of ethnological and sociological responsibility.

"It is your sacred duty to defy some of the current trends," he said. "You must remember that you were educated in the spirit of the divine and immortal tradition of Israel."

The Mordecai Ben David Award of $1,000, given annually to a "person of Jewish faith for American patriotism and achievement," was presented posthumously to Pvt. Jerome Robbins, a graduate of Yeshiva College who was killed in action last December.

Valedictory addresses were delivered by the two highest ranking graduates, Morton Siegel, 507 West 186th Street, who spoke in English, and Allan Mandelbaum, 3080 Bainbridge Avenue, the Bronx, in Hebrew.

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Mrs. B. Feldman and family, Melrose Avenue, are spending a month at Ivry.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Sabbath and son, David, Cote St. Luc Road, are spending the summer at Atlantic City.

Mrs. A. Mendelman and daughter, Marsha, Moffat Avenue, are spending the summer at Crystal Beach, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. David Eisen, formerly Miss Ruth Jewel Kert, of Toronto, have taken up residence at 4927 Decarie Boulevard.

Miss Myra Lazare, Grovehill Place, is spending the summer at Lac Brule.

Mrs. N. Gaisin and son, Daniel, Decarie Boulevard, are spending a month at Ste. Adele.

Mrs. J. Rosenstein, of New York, is visiting her son-in-law, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Klein, Trans Island Avenue.

Mrs. L. Goodman and daughter, Gloria, 772 McEachran Avenue, left for Los Angeles, Cal., to spend the summer with the former's sister, Mrs. S. Morantz, of Beverly Hills.

Miss Anita Kastner, Willowdale Avenue, is taking the Saguenay Cruise, and will spend a week at Murray Bay.

Mrs. Ralph Delovitch left to join her husband, LAC Ralph Delovitch, R.C.A.F., and to take up residence in Belleville, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. N. Brucker, Jeanne Mance Street, are spending the summer at St. Donat.

Mrs. Philip Fram and daughter, Janet, Willowdale Avenue, are spending a month at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mrs. J. Arbess, Dollard Avenue, is spending a few weeks at La Macaza.

Mrs. S. Sherwin and daughter, Rhoda, Durocher Avenue, are spending the summer at Plage Laval.

Mrs. B. Salit, Maplewood Avenue, is spending a month at North Hatley.

Mrs. H. Simon and daughter, Laura, Duluth Street West, are spending a few weeks in Provincetown.

Miss Frances Sopp, City Hall Avenue, is spending two weeks in New York and Burlington, Vt.

Mrs. W. Ziff, Villeneuve Street West, is spending a holiday at Trout Lake.

Mrs. H. Golata and family, Durocher Avenue, are spending the summer at Plage Laval.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Samuels, Bagg Avenue, are spending a holiday at Canter's Hotel, St. Faustin, with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Zeldin.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Morris, Rachel Street East, are leaving shortly for Atlantic City, and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Witt and son, Alex, Rockland Avenue, have returned from Old Orchard Beach, Maine, and are leaving to spend the summer in Lac Brule.

Mrs. Alec Plasky, Wilder Avenue, entertained fifteen guests at a tea presentation at Eaton's for Miss Dolly Cohen, fiancee of Joseph Weintraub, and bride-elect of August 26. The hostess had a corsage of Talisman roses with mauve sweetpeas and baby's breath, and the honoree had a pink corsage with white sweetpeas and baby's breath.

Mrs. C. I. Finkelstein and children, Elissa and Jerry, 4947 Grosvenor Avenue, left for Los Angeles, Cal., to spend the summer with the former's sister, Mrs. S. Morantz, Beverly Hills.

Miss Anita Ein, Chesterfield Avenue, is taking the Saguenay Cruise, and will spend a week at Murray Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen, St. George's Place, are occupying their summer home at Beaconsfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rioux and daughter, Judith, of Newton, Mass., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Robinson, Roslyn Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fisher and family, Cote des Neiges Road, are occupying a cottage at Ste. Marguerite.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Lande and family, Belvedere Place, are occupying a cottage at Ste. Marguerite.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wolfe, Sherbrooke Street West, have taken up residence on Bonavista Avenue.

Mrs. Nathan Lande, Drummond Street, is spending the summer at Timmins, Ont.

Mrs. M. A. Fine, Victoria Avenue, is spending several weeks at Ivry.

Mrs. Louis Lowenstein and son, Paul, Sherbrooke Street West, are spending the summer at Lac Brule.

Miss Joan Mandelbaum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mandelbaum, of Albany, N.Y., and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Wilanski, Stanley Street, is taking the French summer course at Royal Victoria College.

Miss Lillian Rabinovitch, Grosvenor Avenue, is spending the summer at Lac Brule.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kreger and family, Murray Hill Avenue, are at Dorval for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Shachat, Bonavista Avenue, have taken up residence at 4200 Sherbrooke Street West.

Mrs. William Goldwater and family, Old Orchard Avenue, are spending the summer at Magog.

Mrs. Arthur Frenes has returned from London, England, where she was a member of the Canadian Red Cross Ambulance Corps, and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Heims, at Ste. Rose.

Miss Ethel Shapiro, Queen Mary Road, has gone on a cruise to Murray Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Avertick and son, Calvin, 8027 de l'Epee Avenue, are spending the month of July at New Glasgow.

Pvt. Harry Stein, U. S. Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Stein, City Hall Avenue, returned after serving for three and a half years overseas, and was a prisoner of war in Germany for two and a half years.

LAC Ben. Wuloshin, R.C.A.F., son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Wuloshin, Hutchison Street, who recently returned from overseas after serving for one and a half years, is spending two weeks with his sister, Mrs. S. Shiffman, at Val David.

Miss Mildred Zeldon, de Bullion Street, is spending a holiday at Canter's Hotel, St. Faustin.

Mrs. J. Vandelman, 4838 Hutchison Street, entertained thirty guests at supper in honor of Miss Miriam Adel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Adel, Waverley Street, and Cary Goldstein, son of Mrs. Martha Goldstein, of Germany. The table held roses, flowers, and candles. The honoree was presented with a satin comforter.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Namerow, St. Urbain Street, entertained at a family supper at the Bucharest in honor of the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Jack Abramovitch, R.C.N.V.R., who recently returned from overseas, after serving for one year aboard the H.M.C.S. Haida. Present were: Mr. and Mrs. N. Abramovitch, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cattman, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kravitz, Mr. and Mrs. D. Resnick, Mr. and Mrs. A. Green, Mr. and Mrs. M. Fleishman, Miss Irene Namerow, William Namerow, Gerald Abramovitch, and Sydney Abramovitch. The table held a centrepiece of roses and peonies, and the honorees had a corsage of red roses.

Card Of Thanks

Mrs. C. Bismer and Mrs. W. H. Fisher wish to thank their relatives and friends for the kindness shown them during their recent sad bereavement in the loss of a dear brother, Mendel Glasser.

DEATHS

Mrs. Leah Levitt Gordon died on Monday, June 25. She is survived by her husband, Peter Gordon; four sons, Samuel, Nathan, Philip, and Al. Gordon, R.C.A.F.; one daughter, Mrs. Philip Lang; one grandchild, Lawrence Archie Lang; two sisters, Miss Maica Levitt and Mrs. Ray Schacter; and one brother, Moses Levitt, all of Montreal. Funeral took place from Paperman's. Burial was in Back River Cemetery. Shiva was at the home, 2824 Cote St. Catherine Road.

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Miss Susan Shore, Queen Mary Road, is spending a holiday at Wooden Acres, St. Adolphe de Howard.

Mrs. E. Ulrich, Melrose Avenue, is spending the summer at Lac Brule.

Mrs. David Margulese and family, Pennard Avenue, are spending the summer season at Ivry.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Rosenbaum, Dornal Avenue, are spending the month of July at Ivry.

Mrs. Leon Kolber and daughter, Donna, Lacombe Avenue, are spending the summer at Manitou Lodge, Ivry.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Abramson and family, Marcil Avenue; Mrs. S. Abramson, Draper Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. L. Abramson, Draper Avenue, are spending the summer in Plattsburg, N.Y.

Mrs. Ben. Goodman and family, Kingston Avenue, are spending the summer at Lac Long.

Miss Charlotte Rabinovitch, of New York, is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Rabinovitch, Grey Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Landskroner and family, Marcil Avenue, are spending the summer at Plattsburg, N.Y.

Mrs. Sidney Adelstein, Queen Mary Road, is spending a few weeks at Ivry.

Miss Cecile Greenblatt, Marlowe Avenue, is spending several weeks in Buffalo, N.Y., and New York.

Mrs. B. J. Freedman, Fulton Avenue, spent a few days in the Laurentians.

Mrs. J. Shane, Brodeur Avenue, is spending some time with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Rosenbloom, in Sherbrooke.

Miss Mona Glickman, Northcliffe Avenue, spent a few days in the Laurentians.

Miss Anne Shapiro, Addington Avenue, left on a cruise to Murray Bay.

Mrs. J. D. Berger, Oxford Avenue, has returned from Miami Beach, Florida, and New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Held and family, Melrose Avenue, are spending the season at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mrs. Samuel Phillips and Lorna Phillips, Vendome Avenue, are spending a month at Atlantic City, N.J.

Dr. and Mrs. Morrie E. Simon, Queen Mary Road, have returned from a holiday at Laurentide Park.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Coshof, Cote St. Luc Road, were at Laurentide Park, for a few days.

Miss Rose Brownstone, Queen Mary Road, spent several days at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Mrs. I. Sugarman and son, Norman, Queen Mary Road, are spending the season at Kingston.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Stein and family, Melrose Avenue, are spending the summer at Trout Lake.

Mrs. Nathan Lande, Cote St. Luc Road, and daughter, Mrs. B. Robert Greenblatt and family, are spending a few weeks at Manitou Lodge, Ivry.

Mrs. I. Ornstein, St. Catherine Road, spent a few weeks at Mount Clemens, Mich.

Mrs. Regina Shapiro and daughter, Rochelle, of Ottawa, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Cohen, Darlington Avenue.

Miss Gertrude Silverman, of New York, is spending a few days with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. L. Nelson, Lajoie Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Singman, Darlington Avenue, are spending a few weeks at Carlsbad Springs, Ontario.

Miss Esther Rose, Maplewood Avenue, is spending a holiday at Wooden Acres, St. Adolphe de Howard.

Mrs. Harry Lassner, Nelson Avenue, is spending a few weeks at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mrs. A. M. Vineberg, Ritz Carlton Hotel, left to spend the summer at Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

Mrs. P. J. Usher and family, Grosvenor Avenue, are spending the summer at Bluff Point, N.Y.

Mrs. Harris Silver, Mount Pleasant Avenue, is spending a few weeks with Mr. and Mrs. B. Tritt, in Toronto.

Mrs. M. B. Stiene and family, University Street, are occupying a cottage at Bellevue, Quebec.

Miss Daphne Montefiore, Western Avenue, is spending a few weeks at Phillipsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cowan, Grosvenor Avenue, spent several days at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hart, Cote des Neiges Road, are at Ivry, for the season.

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● RED CROSS: 1942 Victory Red Cross Unit closing, at the home of Mrs. Louis I. Taveroff, 3515 Durocher Avenue, heard Mrs. Sol. Vengroff, president, report the collection of $632, of which she presented $700 to Mrs. Samuel Bronfman, O.B.E., president of the Jewish Branch, who was present, accompanied by Mesdames L. A. Sperber, knitting convener, David Chorlton, A. J. Finsberg. Also $117 went for thirty-six overseas parcels and forty orders of candies and cigarettes; and $25 for Youth Aliyah. Mrs. Sima Rabinovitch was praised for her outstanding work, 129 knitted articles; and Mrs. Solomon Tansky, for forty articles. This group produced 194 knitted articles and were represented in the sewing rooms by Mesdames Jack Goodlin and Jack Vertleib. Mrs. Bronfman thanked this group and said that the donation would be used for the furnishing of rooms in an outpost station now being built on Gaspe Peninsula, Magdalen Islands. Members are: Mesdames Samuel Rosen, Jack Fishman, Alec Bernstein, Jack Barcovitz, Abe Berlind, Sam. Raiser, Sam. Ballon, Alec Cohen, Abe Cohen, Hyman Levine, Arthur Levine, Alec Pinsky, John Penner, Boris Slapcoff, Harry Shucker, I. Schwartz, Louis I. Taveroff, Phillip Waxman, Norman Gothell, Dan. Sirett, Hyman Baranoff, Max Garelick, Misses Dorothy Stonefelt, Fay Bernstein, Victoria Bernstein. Jewish Branch received: $109 from Mrs. M. London for the Main Knitting Group; $10, from Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gordon, honouring Mr. and Mrs. A. Gordon who celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary; $30, from Mrs. J. Brotman for a group; $25, from Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lupovitch, in honour of their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Names of young women sent in as initials have been omitted.

● NATIONAL COUNCIL of Jewish Women: Council Camp for girls opened at St. Hippolyte with about seventy children enrolling for a three-week vacation, under the direction of Miss Rose Magid, assisted by Miss Rachelle Silverman as head counsellor, and Misses Deborah Jacobs, Sheila Abbey, Eleanor Rubinstein, Bernice Peritz, Vera Hamburger, Freda Epstein, Laura Ginsberg, Beatrice Galler, assistants. The closing camp committee meeting, at the home of Mrs. A. Fleming, Grosvenor Avenue, with Mrs. S. Pesner, chairman, presiding, had present: Mesdames A. Tancer, M. Getz, I. Blackman, H. Shulman, H. Berger, Charles Shane, Ben. Robinson, president; J. Levitt, Rose Medine, H. Singer, Gordon Kenny, P. Fram, M. Mendels, F. Bernstein, William Rosengarten, Samuel S. Lerner, Misses Mary Marks, Mary Vineberg, Rose Magid, Rachelle Silverman, and the junior counsellors. Mrs. Pesner read a report and suggested that committees visit the camp.

IN MEMORIAM

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SAVED: THREE THOUSAND YOUNG WOMEN

By Sergeant Herman B. Bratman, U.S. Army

We arrived at a huge German military camp that I believe had been for the Luftwaffe. We drove along magnificent concrete roads inside the grounds. Finally, we pulled up to a huge building and walked into a large, well-built auditorium and were greeted by a terrific babble of female voices. There were thousands of women sitting on the long benches with more streaming in through the doors in a constant river of color.

The babble of thousands of voices was made up of a variety of languages. After the first few moments, I began to see individuals instead of the mass. After so many months of the same GI uniform and the dark clothes of the German civilians, the colorful scene had impressed me, but on closer inspection I saw that the clothes were worn and shabby and the scene was motley rather than colorful. There were the strangest combinations of dresses, coats, slacks, pants, aprons, housedresses, sweaters, prison uniforms, handkerchiefs. The faces were all of young women, young girls, just kids, but no older women (those were killed off when they couldn't produce in the factories).

On the stage, the chaplain had set up his flag with the Tablet of the Ten Commandments, two candles and a little altar for his prayerbook. He came out on the stage with another Jewish chaplain and one of the women. A hush fell, broken only by the shushing of the women in the rear as they tried to quieten the women still coming in. The two chaplains put on their prayer shawls and the sight started soft sobbing in the audience. When the woman on the stage lit the Sabbath candles and made the prayer in a soft, choked voice that still spread through the auditorium, the women all over the auditorium started to weep openly, swaying slowly in their seats, clutching their hands to their breasts, their heads bowed. A few women rose to their feet and like a wave of emotion the whole audience stood and wept and prayed. I got cold all over and felt the hairs on the back of my head stand.

This was the first religious service in five and six years for these women, the first time they weren't being beaten and enslaved for being Jews, the first time they became conscious of being spiritually free once more, the first time they could cry together for what has happened to the Jew in Europe, to their fathers and mothers and sons and husbands and daughters, the first time they could weep for all those who were shot and hanged before their eyes, for those who were dragged away to God knows where — perhaps still alive, most likely not.

I stood against the rear wall and the tears rolled down my cheeks while my heart grew as bitter as it possibly could. The medic Captain, a German-Jewish doctor who had escaped from Berlin in 1936, stood next to me and sobbed like a baby. Shall I ever forget the sound of more than three thousand tortured women weeping to their God for their lot and their families?

The service went on with the other chaplain singing and chanting the prayers and psalms. A few prayerbooks had been scattered through the audience and the women huddled together to follow the text. When we reached the Kaddish, the prayer for the dead, everyone stood—there was no one who was not mourning. The grief was vast and heartbreaking, but I was getting emotionally washed out. The chaplain delivered the sermon in Yiddish—these are mostly Eastern Europe Jews who speak Yiddish; they've never been assimilated as were the Dutch and German Jews. He described the occasion as a second Passover—another deliverance. He went on to describe another holiday, a rebirth, and tried to tell the women what they had to live for. At the end of the services he explained why they must stay here so that we can properly direct our help. He also asked them to write their names and places of origin on a piece of paper together with the names and last known addresses of their relatives, especially those in America who might be notified by a Jewish organization. He also asked them to write a short history of their work, wanderings, etc., with the names of the places and the people who had punished them, etc.

Then the services were over and the congregation broke up amid choruses of "*Gutes Shabes.*" Some of the women walked out slowly, lost and weak, some just left, a great many stayed and crowded around the few soldiers and the chaplains.

They had a million questions about the progress of the war. Did we know their brother or uncle in Brooklyn, in Cincinnati, in St. Louis, in Philadelphia, in New York, in America? Where would they be sent, when? How soon could they get help? German-Yiddish was the common denominator. They begged for a prayerbook or a little scroll, *mezuzah*. When the chaplain gave out a few, he was engulfed by a pushing mob of hundreds of women. "Please, a *siddur*," they shouted. The few who got them, kissed the little prayerbook or the scroll, hugging it happily. They came running from all directions, pleading, begging, fighting for a reminder of a lost Judaism. But there were only a few, and the others crowded around with "pleases" and inability to believe that there were no more. "I'm a rabbi's daughter, can't I please have a *siddur*."

Small crowds gathered around each of us and just stood, looking at us pleading. One GI gave his own scroll to a woman; she kissed it happily and tearfully and told him it was the foundation of her new home, in fact the only thing for her new home there existed, but that it would be in her home the rest of her life. A Hungarian mother and young daughter took me aside and in their peculiar speech asked me if I could get them a candle to light as a "*jahrzeit*" for the husband and father killed by the Nazis. I explained that I couldn't, but would try.

Others crowded around, anxious to tell their stories. I was dizzy with the outpourings: of how the Nazis wiped out or sent away the Jewish population of their towns, of how they worked in factories, were locked up in barracks, ate bread, soup once a day, a pat of margarine once a week, meat very rarely. Some were slave-laborers, some were from concentration camps and prisons, all were mistreated, never paid, all had a smear of yellow paint on their coats over the right hand pocket and a big yellow "X" on their backs. They had been fed well by the Nazi guards the last few days before the Americans arrived and by the Army ever since.

This was a centre and the women were being brought from all over this section of Germany wherever they were found. I noticed that they were all very short so that I felt tall as they crowded around and tried to talk. It was all almost unbelievable. Three thousand Jewish women gathered in this one little place.

The medic told me that physical examinations were being given, that practically no venereal disease had been found, but that some of the women had been rendered sterile. Some of the women looked bloated from starvation, some looked pregnant, but it was hard to tell: the German soldiers were forbidden to have anything to do with them, but the German civilians might have taken advantage. The hatred of these women was for the Germans, not just the Nazis or the soldiers. They'd been beaten and mistreated and taunted and cursed by the civilians, too.

When we finally had to leave for the long drive home, the women chased the truck still begging for a prayerbook. I saw to it that the rabbi's daughter got one and my last sight of her was of her holding the book tightly against her, protecting it from the others.

All these years, I've said that there was no separate Jewish problem, not separate from the bigger ones of economics, and minorities, and they're tied together. But now I'm beginning to wonder. Where and to what will these people be sent. To the town and house they came from?

Perhaps it just isn't there, perhaps it was an old centre of anti-Semitism like Poland, perhaps it was a ghetto, perhaps they'll just make the problem of existence in these little towns unsolvable, perhaps there is no family left to come home to or to start out with again to rebuild. This decimated Jewish population is lost and uprooted. It isn't like the other slave-laborer groups that have places and kin to go back to. I just don't know what's to be done. All I can say is—please, wealthy, well-fed, safe people of America, do something, now!

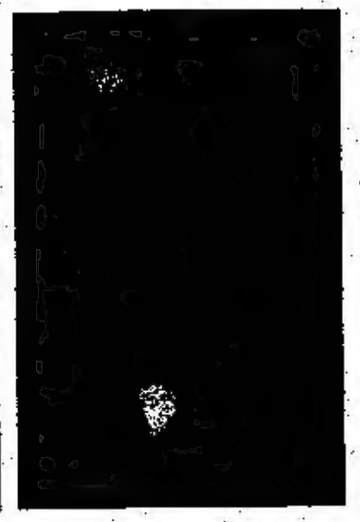
This article is from the Congress Weekly.

Active In Jewish Immigrant Aid Society Campaign

S. Katz, 2135 Barclay Avenue, Montreal, one of the youngest J.I.A.S. directors, is on the textile division team.

D. Applebaum, 611 St. Germain Street, Montreal, member of the J.I.A.S. board of directors, who is heading the dry goods and jobbing trade in the campaign.

J. A. Rosenfeld, 45 Joyce Avenue, Montreal, J.I.A.S. treasurer, is working in the men's clothing division.



Karl Beer, 4263 Esplanade Avenue, Montreal, a new member of the J.I.A.S. board of directors, who is canvassing the knitting trade.

Kaplan Gives Leadership Talk

Conservative Judaism must develop its own leaders and not depend longer on their coming from the ranks of Orthodox Jews, Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, dean of the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York, declared at the forty-fifth annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, national organization of Conservative rabbis.

Dr. Kaplan, who recently was excommunicated by the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada, an organization to which he did not belong, told the 200 rabbis attending the convention at the Jewish Theological Seminary, 3080 Broadway, that it was becoming more obvious "we can't count on young people from Orthodox circles coming to us".

Agreeing that those adhering to Orthodox viewpoints are entitled to their opinions, Dr. Kaplan urged that the Conservative rabbis, therefore, open an educational program of their own that would "develop the roots we need."

He outlined a program for the training of leadership personnel that has been drawn up by a committee of the Rabbinical Assembly. Dr. Kaplan has headed the committee for the last year.

Before discussing the leadership problem, Dr. Kaplan delivered the Morris D. Levine Memorial Lecture in Hebrew in which he called for a synthesis of the highest ideals of Judaism and democracy.

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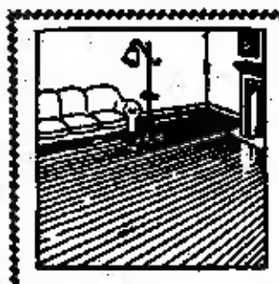
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MARRIAGES

KAPLANSKY-KOSITSKY

The marriage of Miss Esther Kositsky, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Kositsky, 6147 Durocher Avenue, and the late Nathan Kositsky, to Sgt. Kalman Kaplansky, R.C.I., stationed at Farnham, son of Abraham Kaplansky, 756 Stuart Avenue, and the late Mrs. Masha Kaplansky, took place at the home of Reverend S. Herschorn, Park Avenue, on Thursday, June 21, at half past two o'clock.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. P. Namerow, 4334 St. Urbain Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Betty, to Jack Abramovitch, R.C.N.V.R., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. N. Abramovitch, St. Lawrence Boulevard.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dankoff, Notre Dame Street West, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Toby, to Isaia, only son of Samuel Lefstein, Clark Street, and the late Mrs. S. Lefstein.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Moore (nee Dinah Bremner), 3981 de Bullion Street, twin daughters, Doreen and Natalie, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 12; granddaughters of Mr. and Mrs. M. Bremner, de Bullion Street; and of Mr. and Mrs. J. Moore, Clark Street; and great-grandchildren of Mrs. E. Bremner, of New York.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Moe Liebman (nee Anna Smith), 4075 Van Horne Avenue, a son, Sheldon, at the Women's Pavilion of the Royal Victoria Hospital, on June 17. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Smith, 2045 Notre Dame Street West; and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Liebman, 634 Champagneur Avenue, who are the godparents; and great-grandson of Mrs. Roslyn Schnarch, 3075 City Hall Avenue; and Mrs. Rachel Segal, 4571 City Hall Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Postilnick (nee Laura Rosenfeld), Wilderton Avenue, a daughter, Barbara Ann, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 13. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenfeld, 4211 Esplanade Avenue; and Mr. and Mrs. N. Postilnick, 4990 Lacombe Avenue; great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Moak, of New York.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Albert (nee Clara Kerjner), Champagneur Avenue, a daughter, Sandra Jane, sister of Leonard, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 16; granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. L. Kerjner, of Russia; and the late Mr. and Mrs. R. Albert, of Montreal.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Berlin (nee Annette Gradinger), 4935 Queen Mary Road, a daughter, at the Woman's General Hospital, on July 2; granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gradinger, Arlington Avenue; and of Mrs. Harry Berlin, Esplanade Avenue, and the late Harry Berlin, of Montreal; great-granddaughter of Mrs. D. Solomon, Arlington Avenue; Mrs. H. Gradinger, Hutchison Street; and Mrs. A. Berlin, de Bullion Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Superstein (nee Sarah Fishman), 4775 Ridgevale Avenue, a daughter, Nancy, sister of David, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 15. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. Fishman, 5217 Jeanne Mance Street; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Superstein, 5275 Hutchison Street; great-grandmother is Mrs. S. Sandberg, Esplanade Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hersh (nee Nellie Schaefer), 2425 Maplewood Avenue, a daughter, Heather Susan, sister of William, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, on June 15; granddaughter of Mrs. I. Schaefer, Van Horne Avenue; and of Mrs. B. Hersh, Hutchison Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Fisher (nee Bella Cohen), 4244 Decarie Boulevard, a son, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 17; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cohen, Decarie Boulevard; and the late Mr. and Mrs. B. Fisher, of Montreal.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. C. Tauer, (nee Rena Pinsky), Victoria Avenue, a daughter, Carol, sister of Suzanne, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 12; granddaughter of Mrs. J. Pinsky, Querbes Avenue, and the late J. Pinsky, of Montreal; and of Mr. and Mrs. E. Tauer, of Ste. Agathe, and of Miami, Florida.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. B. Tarter (nee Sadie Diamond), Cazgrain Street, a son, Ralph Ephrium, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 12; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. B. Diamond, de Bullion Street; and the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Tarter, of Montreal. Godparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Diamond, St. Viateur Street West.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Klein (nee Lillian Rosenstein), Trans Island Avenue, a son, Lawrence, brother of Joyce and Jack, at St. Mary's Hospital, on June 14; grandson of Mrs. J. Rosenstein, of New York and Montreal, and the late J. Rosenstein, of Montreal; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Klein, de l'Epee Avenue. Godparents are Mrs. B. Shapiro, Trans Island Avenue; and Eli Abrams, Prud'homme Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Heft (nee Nettye Hebscher), Victoria Avenue, a daughter, Maxine Ellen, sister of Stanley Gordon, at the Jewish General Hospital, on June 14; granddaughter of Mrs. E. Hebscher, 610 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, Ont.; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Heft, Hutchison Street; great-granddaughter of Mrs. C. Hebscher, of New York; and of Mrs. A. Greenfeld, of Hamilton, Ont.

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EAGER PRAISE

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stein said he favored most a ruling, possibly in a resolution by his committee, that the refugees are in the U. S. illegally. Thereupon, he explained, they would come under the jurisdiction of the Immigration Service and would be detained under immigration warrants and eligible to freedom on bail. After that, having proved themselves entitled to immigration under their nation's quotas, they could cross the border into Canada, obtain immigration visas, and return to the United States, he said.

The other options of the committee chairman listed were:

(1) To release the refugees from the camp on their own recognizance or under bond pending definite determination of their status;

(2) To release them on the same conditions until Congress has returned from its forthcoming recess, tentatively set to begin July 15;

(3) To request from President Truman a change in the conditions made by President Roosevelt in bringing the refugees to the U.S.

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one teaspoon vanilla

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pinch of salt
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In a joint statement, Dr. Wise, Rabbi Miller, Mr. Epstein, and Dr. Lewin said:

"It is the responsibility of the Commission on Community Interrelations of the American Jewish Congress to search out real causes of anti-Semitism and related problems in real-life situations — and to do something about them.

"The Commission uses fact-finding and action methods developed by the social sciences during the past few years. These methods combine a variety of sciences and skills, including psychology, sociology, cultural anthropology, and others—not merely to measure a given situation but to change it when dangerous. Operations are carried on in communities where people live, work and go about their daily lives, where tensions and conflict develop.

"These action-research methods are relatively new and only a few scientists and practioners have had occasion to try them out thoroughly. However, the results in industry, in government, and in some social organizations where they have been used seem so promising and powerful that we would be guilty of neglect if we failed to add them to our arsenal of weapons against anti-Semitism."

The new undertaking is focussed mainly on Jewish non-Jewish problems. In recognition that all groups in America are interrelated, not isolated, however, the Commission is working with groups of all types and offers its services freely to other organizations and individuals concerned with problems of minority group tension.

A "task force" composed of skilled fact-finders and social action people is assigned to each action-research project on which the Commission works. Their assignment is to find out the facts underlying the conflict, then put the facts into action by helping groups resolve their differences.

The Commission on Community Interrelations grew out of a Conference to Combat anti-Semitism called by the American Jewish Congress in New York last year. Jewish leaders who attended from all parts of the country agreed that more intensive effort and new tools must be brought into the fight against anti-Semitism. Soon thereafter, Dr. Lewin was approached by Congress representatives and he agreed to develop plans for the Commission and get it organized.

A native of Germany who came to the United States in 1933, Dr. Lewin has gained international recognition for his research in group relations. He was formerly professor of Child Psychology at the University of Iowa and on the faculties of Cornell and Stanford Universities. He has been consultant to the Division of Program Surveys of the U.S. Department of Agriculture since 1942 and until this year was with the Office of Strategic Service in Washington, leaving to assume his present position as director of the Research Centre for Group Dynamics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Immediate transfer to Palestine of all children in German concentration camps was urged by the annual conference of the Women's International Zionist Organization.

All emergency defense regulations introduced at the outbreak of war have been revoked, including the right of the authorities to restrict publication of disturbing reports, to search vehicles, etc., in Palestine.

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The 70th Anniversary Celebration Committee of the Hebrew Union College at Cincinnati, Ohio, is offering a prize of $200 for the words for a hymn to commemorate the 70th birthday of the College. The words are to be sung to the tune of "America the Beautiful" because of its suitability for congregational singing. The hymn need not mention the Hebrew Union College by name at all. It should, however, have to do with the ideals of the College and of liberal and progressive Judaism for whose service the College has trained many rabbis for 70 years. Its rabbis are in the pulpits of more than 300 temples all over the country, more than 100 of them are in the chaplain services of the Army and Navy. The hymn should contain three verses but more verses may be submitted. The competition closes on September 1. Hymns should be addressed to Alfred Segal, c/o Hebrew Union College, Clifton Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Social Notes — Toronto

Mrs. Saul Salutin and son, Earl Richard, Montrose Avenue, are at Sparrow Lake for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Enchin, Grenadier Road, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Godfrey and family, Rushton Road, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Greben, Ossington Avenue, spent several days in Montreal, Que., at the Mount Royal Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Morry Levanson and son, Howard Stephen, Atlas Avenue, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Mon Goldenberg, Avenue Road, have with them the former's father, D. Goldenberg, of Montreal, Que.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Goodman and family, Pendrith Avenue, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Goldberg, Oriole Crescent, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mrs. M. Wiseman and daughter, Susan, Eglinton Avenue West, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Wortsman and family, Strathearn Road, are spending the season at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Newman and son, David, Bathurst Street, left for Cleveland, Ohio, to spend their vacation with Mrs. Newman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Kowit.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brodey, Heath Street West, are at Wasaga Beach for their summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Ginsberg and children, Sandra, Robert, and Linda, Whitmore Avenue, are spending the summer at their cottage at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Soupcoff and family, Elwood Boulevard, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank Hartsfield, of Long Island, N.Y., are spending a month here, visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Houser, Spadina Road; her brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Manase, College View Avenue; and her sister, Mrs. Bernard Vise, Highbourne Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wolfe and son, Harvey, Spadina Road, have gone to their summer cottage at Thunder Bay, where they will spend several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Kunen, of Miami Beach, Florida, are visiting their sons-in-law and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Bernstein, Park Hill Road, and Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rodness, St. Clements Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Goldstein and daughter, Marilyn, Avenue Road, have returned from Detroit, Mich., where they spent several days visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Hurwitz, Weybourne Crescent, have left to spend the summer at their cottage at Long Branch, on Lake Ontario.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levy and Mrs. Stanley Greenberg, of Omaha, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Moe Levy and children, Robert and Julie Anne, of Minneapolis, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Levy and daughter, Jewell, Mrs. M. Lefkowitz, and Mrs. C. Landau, all of Pittsburgh, Pa., spent several days at the Royal York Hotel, and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Mort. Levy, Bathurst Street.

Leo Smith, Theodore H. Lipson, Harold Gross, Ed. Stransman, Harry Seigal, and Ernest Hoffman have returned from a fishing trip at Georgian Bay.

Miss Frances Feldman, Vaughan Road, is spending a month's vacation in Timmins, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Feldman.

Miss Carol Lasser, Lauder Avenue, is spending the summer with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lieberman, of Pembroke and St. John, N.B.

Mrs. E. Hebscher, Spadina Avenue, has returned from Montreal, Que., where she spent two weeks with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. I. Haft.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Weisberd and children, Doreen and Ruth, Beatrice Street, are at their summer home at Jackson's Point for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Gaugher and family, Manning Avenue, are occupying a cottage at Jackson's Point, Lake Simcoe, for the summer.

Mrs. M. Shiffman and son, Gary, Baldwin Street, are at Jackson's Point, on Lake Simcoe, for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Langer and sons, Howard and Richey, Major Street, are spending the summer at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Wall and family, Dundas Street West, are at their summer home at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Gross and family, Beverley Street, have gone to their summer home at Jackson's Point.

Miss Ida Golomb, Markham Street, and Miss Muriel Golomb, Bexhill Avenue, are spending two weeks in Boston, Mass., as guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. Fine.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Silverman and family, Dalhousie Street, have gone to Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gross and daughters, May and Jane, Brunswick Avenue, are spending their vacation at Grafton.

Misses Fay Sherman, Major Street, and Mia Koblinsky, Borden Street, are spending a week in Kingston, visiting Leading Aircraftsman and Mrs. J. Cornfield.

Leading Aircraftsman Louis Sherman, R.C.A.F., stationed at Debert, N.S., is spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Sherman, Major Street.

Mrs. B. Gilbert and family, College Street, have returned home after spending several weeks at Jackson's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Wortsman and family, Palmerston Boulevard, are at Jackson's Point for the summer.

Mrs. Joseph Hootnick and son, Lorne, College Street, are spending a month in New York, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Richmond and family, Manning Avenue, are at their summer home, "Cedarvale", at Bakerville, Belle Ewart.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Romberg, Palmerston Boulevard, were visiting their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. Ordon, of Chatham, at their summer cottage at Erie Beach.

Miss Betty Sternoff, Lakeview Avenue, has returned after spending her vacation in New York and Jamaica, Long Island, N.Y.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Himel, Palmerston Boulevard, are leaving for Rocha's Point, where they will spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lehrer, of Long Island City, N.Y., are spending a month with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Crandall, Markham Street.

Nathan Lehrer, of New York, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Crandall, Markham Street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Shifman and family, Palmerston Boulevard, are at their summer home at Jackson's Point for the season.

Mrs. Anna Boss and Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Wisbaum, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., are here for several days at the Royal York Hotel, and will celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Boss, on July 4, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Rodness, St. Clement's Avenue.

A surprise party was held in Belle Ewart at the summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Clabman, Playter Boulevard, in honour of the latter's birthday. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Barney Shuman, of Dorchester, Mass., who are here visiting Mrs. S. Willer, St. Clair Avenue West.

Those who entertained for Mrs. Alex Serota, formerly Miss Bella Gotlieb, were: Miss Frances Silverman and Mrs. David Litowitz, at a theatre party and supper; and Mrs. Harry Appleton, at a luncheon at Arcadian Court, at which Mrs. A. Appleton, Mrs. I. Salmon, and Mrs. B. White, of New York, were present.

A dancing party celebrated the engagement of Miss Hilda Levine to Sydney Blackman, and honoured Pit. Lieut. Barry Caplan, who recently returned from overseas following his liberation from a German prisoner-of-war camp. Others present were: Misses Lila Cohen and Esther Arliss; and I. Fine.

Those who entertained for Mrs. Isidore Milton, formerly Miss Lillian Josephson, were: Mrs. Morris Grafstein, Mrs. Mack Dolgy, and Miss Mollie Grafstein, at tea at the Georgian Room; Mesdames Jack Latner, Joseph Bogo, and Carl Wolkenstein, tea at Simpson's Arcadian Court; Miss Tillie Marshak, tea at Eaton's Round Room; Mrs. Leonard Shapiro, luncheon; Mrs. Charles Kaplan, evening and presentation; Mrs. Ralph Bregman, tea at Arcadian Court; Mrs. Irving Lieberman, evening and presentation; Mesdames S. Frankel, Ray Wolfe, S. Dennis, and Miss Lillian Inove, tea at the Park Plaza Hotel; and Mrs. Murray Banks and Mrs. Louis Simon, at a shower.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Sinnkoff, Grace Street, were hosts at a dinner in honour of the approaching marriage of Miss Ray Finkelstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Finkelstein, to their son, Ralph Sinnkoff. The bride-elect wore a green and white print dress, and her mother wore a green and white two-piece dress. Mrs. Sinnkoff wore a blue and black print dress. The dinner table was decorated with a cake in the shape of a Bible, iced in white with pink trimming, and lettered, "God bless you both, Mom and Dad", with two lighted tapers. Thirty-five guests were present.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Steinberg, Glen Cedar Road, were hosts at a garden party in honour of their daughter, Barbara, who celebrated her sixth birthday. Barbara wore a white pinafore, white shoes and socks, and a silver clip in her hair. Barbara's grandmother, Mrs. R. Schatoff, Crawford Street, was present, also sixty-five guests, including about twenty-five children.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Posner, Bernard Avenue, were hosts at a kiddush at Cleveleigh House, in honour of the bar-mitzvah of their son, Allan, in the Standard and St. ty guests. Mrs. Posner wore a navy-blue dress with lime-green and coral trimming, and an orchid corsage; and was assisted by her sisters, Mrs. H. Green, in a yellow and black print dress, and Mrs. B. Wilks, in a rose-coloured mesh dress. Mr. and Mrs. M. Hanford and son, Jack, of Buffalo, N.Y.; Mrs. Alex Rosenthal and son, Ralph, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Mrs. D. Ackerman and daughter, Linda, of Hamilton, were guests.

Those who entertained in honour of Miss Ruth Rakoff, prior to her marriage to Dr. Reuben I. H. Solway were: Mrs. F. Solway, Bathurst Street, at a family dinner, followed by open house; Mr. and Mrs. J. Gurevich, family dinner; Mr. and Mrs. S. Rakoff, family dinner and open house; Mrs. Morris Goldberg and Miss Ruth Botnick, tea at Arcadian Court; Mrs. Boris Swerling, luncheon at Georgian Room; Mrs. S. Rakoff, the bride's mother, tea at Eaton's Round Room; Mesdames F. Solway, S. Solway, and Miss Dorothy Feldt, luncheon at Arcadian Court and theatre; Mesdames L. Enchin, E. W. Marcus, and R. Godal, presentation tea at the former's home; Mesdames Frank Jacobson and Samuel Solway, presentation luncheon at the Oak Room, King Edward Hotel; Miss Sylvia Sinsberg, presentation luncheon at the King Edward Hotel; Mrs. Cecil Ellis, luncheon; Mrs. J. Steinman, presentation dinner and theatre; Mesdames A. Williams, E. Freeman, and S. Moss, evening presentation at the latter's home; Mrs. W. Cole, luncheon at Arcadian Court; Mrs. Frank Jaffe, evening and presentation; Miss Rosalie Cohen, theatre party; Misses Rivy Ourin, Belle Krestall, Rose Chelin, Mary Kamen, Ida Epstein, Edith Feldman, and Mrs. P. C. Mosoff, presentation dinner and theatre.

Entertaining for Mrs. Ben. Applebaum, who prior to her marriage was Miss Eileen Berger, were: Mrs. N. Soitman and Mrs. J. Weinberg, at a presentation tea; Mrs. S. Herbert, luncheon at the Royal York Hotel; Mrs. B. Gordner, presentation luncheon; Mesdames D. Wasserman, D. Little, and F. Goldstein, presentation dinner; Mrs. J. Gilbert, presentation tea; Mesdames B. Forer, W. Coldoff, and A. Hertzman, presentation tea; Samuel Gertner and Mrs. Percy Sherman, dancing party; Mesdames L. Bernard, H. Bochnick, and S. Lieberman, cup and saucer shower; Mrs. I. Greenberg and Miss Pearl Litovitz, presentation dinner and theatre; Mrs. M. Goldberg and Mrs. F. Goldberg, presentation luncheon at the Park Plaza Hotel; Mrs. J. Kohane and Mrs. S. Goldberg, presentation tea; Mrs. D. Segar, presentation luncheon; Mesdames I. Hammer, M. Rose, J. Bader, J. Weinberg, and J. Kirshenblatt, presentation tea; Mesdames S. Bernstein, S. Rich, and A. Rich, presentation luncheon; Mrs. M. Luftspring and Miss Lyla Tanzer, personal shower; Mrs. A. Samuels and Mrs. B. Bregman, presentation luncheon; Mrs. L. Appleby and Mrs. M. Little, presentation tea; Mr. and Mrs. F. Goldman, presentation dinner at the Royal York Hotel; Mesdames J. Teachman, S. Naftolin, S. Silverberg, and M. Wolfson, evening presentation; Mrs. L. Goodman and Mrs. P. Gold, presentation luncheon; Mrs. B. Worth and Mrs. B. Siegel, presentation tea; Mrs. P. Caresns, presentation tea; Mrs. W. Biller, theatre and supper; Mr. and Mrs. N. Rosenberg, presentation dinner at the Royal York Hotel and theatre; Mrs. L. Nadler, presentation luncheon at the Park Plaza Hotel; Mrs. B. Perniko, presentation tea; Mrs. S. Applebaum, presentation and evening; Miss Shirley Bader, presentation dinner and theatre; and Mrs. I. Weissman.

MARRIAGES

GOTLIEB-MARKOWITZ

The marriage of Alyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. Markowitz, 290 Major Street, to Private Arthur Gotlieb, R.C.A.S.C., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Fishbaum, 83 Baldwin Street, took place on Sunday, June 10, at six o'clock, at Ostrovtzer Synagogue, Rabbi I. Aranoff officiating, assisted by Manuel Markowitz, brother of the bride, who sang the prayer. Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white two-piece gown of satin and lace, with a lace peplum jacket and a hooped satin skirt, caught up at both sides of the hem, a round neckline, and long sleeves, pointed over the wrists. Her finger-tip veil was fastened to a coronet of flowers, and she carried a bouquet of white and red roses and baby's breath. Miss Thelma Markowitz, sister of the bride, attended her as maid of honour, wearing a net gown in shades of light and dark blue, with a full skirt and a dark blue velvet bodice, and an American Beauty-coloured velvet waistband. American Beauty roses held her veil of blue net, and she carried a bouquet of the same flowers. The bridesmaids, Misses Jessie Markowitz, Sylvia Richman, Rosalind Goldberg, and Goldie Shulman, were gowned alike in pale blue, with bronzed blue veiling, and they carried corsages of multi-coloured roses. Beatrice Markowitz, as flower girl, wore a frock of pale blue taffeta, with a coronet of pink roses and a matching blue veil, and carried a basket of rose petals. Morris Fishbaum, brother of the groom, was the best man, and the ushers were: Max Kennigsberg, Ralph Strausberg, Leading Aircraftsman Sol. Fox, R.C.A.F., and Flying Officer Arthur Lerman, R.C.A.F. The wedding music was played by Morris Lustig. Mrs. Markowitz, the bride's mother, received, wearing a royal-blue lace gown, and a corsage of red roses. The groom's mother, Mrs. Fishbaum, wore a rose-coloured silk jersey gown. For the wedding trip to Niagara Falls, Ont., the bride wore an ice-blue suit, with matching coat, and black accessories. On their return the bride and groom will reside in Toronto. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. S. Shulman, of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. B. Singer and daughter, Ethel, of Plattsburg, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Garshowitz, Lloyd Garshowitz, and Goldie and Margaret Garshowitz, of Hamilton.

SEROTA-GOTLIEB

The marriage of Bella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Gotlieb, 674 Dundas Street West, to Corporal Alex Serota, R.C.E., son of Mr. and Mrs. David Serota, 33 Borden Street, took place on Sunday, June 10, at five o'clock, at Hebrew Men of England Synagogue, Rabbi M. Levy officiating, assisted by Captain Rabbi A. Kellman. Given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore a white satin gown, with a yoke of scalloped lace insertion, long sleeves extending to points over the wrists, a fitted bodice, pointed at the waist, and a long train. Her full-length veil was caught to a white satin bonnet, and she carried a bouquet of roses and lilies. Miss Bertha Gotlieb, sister of the bride, was maid of honour, in an ice-blue marquisette gown, with matching half-hat and a short matching veil. She carried a cascade of dark red roses. The bridesmaids were: Misses Bella Trueller, in a blue spriet and fuchsia-coloured sheer gown; Frances Gotlieb, in a blue taffeta gown, with a pink net skirt; Helen Cohen, in a blue taffeta gown; and Frances Silverman, in a navy crepe gown. They had matching taffeta crowns with blue veiling, and carried nosegays of roses. The flower girls were Myrna Serota, in a pink taffeta frock, and Marilyn Mandel, in turquoise-blue. Robert Applebaum was the ring-bearer. Sol. Serota, brother of the groom, attended him as best man. The ushers were: Julius Gotlieb, cousin of the bride; Ben Springer, Manuel Robins, and Harry Magder. For the reception and dinner, at the Belvin, the head table was decorated with the wedding cake, the traditional braided chain, and a centrepiece of flowers, with lighted tapers. The bride's mother, Mrs. Gotlieb, received, in a purple crepe gown, with sequin trimming, and beaded yoke, and torso-length gathered skirt, with a corsage of Tea roses. Mrs. Serota, mother of the groom, wore a mauve crepe gown, with sequin trimming, and a corsage of yellow roses. For the wedding trip to Detroit, Mich., the bride wore a blue-green tailored gabardine suit, with brown accessories. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Max Weiser, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gotlieb, Sidney Gotlieb and son, Purris; Mrs. Ben. Gotlieb, and Mr. and Mrs. David Burkow and son, Allan, all of Detroit, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Kellman and daughters, Norma and Sandy, of Cleveland, Ohio; and Louis Serota, brother of the groom, of Montreal, Que.

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U.S. Flyers Keep Date On Prison Wall, Meet In New York

A message scratched some time last year on the cement wall of a German interrogation prison in Budapest brought together in New York five American airmen who had been imprisoned there.

The men gave various readings of the inscription on the wall, but the consensus was that it ran something like this: "All American men who are in this room meet me at the Plantation Room of the Dixie Hotel, New York, June 26, 1945, at 6 p.m." The man who wrote it did not show up for the date.

In the group, all of whom were members of the 15th Air Force, were First Lieutenant Abbot Sydney, twenty-seven, of 2233 Creston Avenue, the Bronx; First Lieutenant Robert F. Corenthal, twenty-six, of 2 Hinchley Place, Brooklyn; Second Lieutenant Herbert Traurig, twenty-three, of 1061 East Fifty-first Street, Brooklyn; Staff Sergeant Leonard West, twenty-six, of 1105 Boynton Avenue, the Bronx, and Second Lieutenant Philip Novick, twenty-four, of 1729 Sixty-seventh Street, Brooklyn.

Lieutenants Novick, Traurig and Corenthal were in adjoining cells in the prison for varying periods from Sept. 12 to Aug. 4, 1944, but did not meet one another until they had reached the prison camp at Moosburg, Germany, which they were liberated last April 29 by the 3d Army.

There was another message on the wall of the room, said Lieutenant Traurig. It read: "Buy War Bonds."

Lieutenant Traurig, a navigator on a Flying Fortress, was shot down Sept. 13, 1944, over Czechoslovakia.

Asked if the men had been optimistic a year ago over the possibility of keeping the date last night, Lieutenant Sydney said: "You bet we thought we could keep the date. The Russians had reached Warsaw by then and, well, things were looking up."

Lieutenant Sydney was a bombardier aboard a Flying Fortress shot down July 28, 1944 in Albania. It was the thirty-fourth mission of his second tour. He had served earlier in the Aleutians and will have been in the Army five years in September. He was in the prison from Aug. 5 to 12, 1944.

Lieutenant Corenthal said the Germans led him and other flyers through the streets of Budapest after he had been captured, and the crowds berated them, calling the men "Luftgangsters." Co-pilot of a Fortress, he was shot down Aug. 28, 1944. He reserved rooms at the Dixie for Captain Jonas L. Blank, of Washington, D.C., pilot of his plane, and First Lieutenant James W. Penn, of Brookhaven, Miss., bombardier, both of whom he expected would attend the reunion. They were in the Budapest prison with him.

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MARRIAGES

KASHETSKY-NAGELBERG

The marriage of Blanche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Nagelberg, 122 Major Street, to Max Kashetsky, son of Morris Kashetsky, of St. John, N.B., and the late Mrs. Kashetsky, took place on Sunday, June 24, at half-past six o'clock, at the home of Cantor B. Charloff, who officiated. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white taffeta gown, with a full net skirt, and a train. Her veil was held by a halo, and she carried a bouquet of pink roses. Miss Rose Nagelberg, sister of the bride, was the maid of honour, wearing a pink net gown with a bolero jacket, and carried a bouquet of red roses. Gordon Nagelberg attended the groom as best man. During the ceremony, Mrs. E. Charloff played the wedding music. At the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Nagelberg, 68 Grand Boulevard, where a reception was held, Mrs. Nagelberg received, wearing a mauve afternoon dress of silk jersey, and a corsage of pink roses; with the groom's cousin, Mrs. A. Crandall, wearing a black silk jersey dress, and a corsage of red roses. For the wedding trip to the Laurentian Mountains, Que., the bride wore a coral-coloured dressmaker suit, with white accessories. The bride and groom will reside in St. John, N.B. Out-of-town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lehrer, of Long Island City, N.Y.; Nathan Lehrer, of New York; Mr. and Mrs. Morton Budd, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Budd, and Rabbi and Mrs. M. Beshkin and family, all of Kitchener.

GOLDSTEIN-PIERCE

The marriage of Faye Maxine, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pierce, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., to Morris Goldstein, of St. Catharines, Ont., son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Goldstein, 335 Markham Street, took place on Sunday, June 24, at half-past four o'clock, at Beth Israel Temple, Niagara Falls, N.Y., Rabbi Borach officiating. The synagogue was decorated with palms, snapdragons, and stocks. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a white brocaded satin gown, fashioned in mid-Victorian style, with a long train. Her finger-tip veil of lace was caught on each side of her head by clusters of orange blossoms, and she carried a bouquet of white baby orchids and white roses. Miss Lillian Pierce, sister of the bride, was the maid of honour, in a period style gown of pale pink brocaded taffeta, with a matching bonnet-shaped headdress, and carried a bouquet of blue cornflowers with sprays of baby's breath and ferns. The bridesmaids were Mrs. Louis Wagman, sister of the groom, in a blue net gown over taffeta, with long matching lace gloves, and a Mary Stuart headdress, with a bouquet of yellow cornflowers, roses, and ferns; and Miss Ruth Goldstein, sister of the groom, in a pink net gown over silk jersey, with long matching lace gloves, a Mary Stuart headdress, and bouquet of deep rose-coloured cornflowers, roses, and ferns. Sharron Pierce, cousin of the bride, as junior bridesmaid, wore a blue taffeta frock, with blue hair-ribbons, and carried a bouquet of white gardenias. Sergeant Louis Goldstein, R.C.A.M.C., brother of the groom, was best man, and the ushers were: Louis Wagman, brother-in-law of the groom, and Al. Frankel. A reception was held at Cataract House, Niagara Falls, N.Y. Mrs. Pierce, the bride's mother, wore a black summer sheer dress, with black lace gloves lined with pink silk, a pink feathered hat, and a corsage of white gardenias. The groom's mother, Mrs. Goldstein, wore a rose-coloured brocaded sheer dress, with a matching hat of velvet flowers and veiling, and a corsage of white gardenias. For the wedding trip to the Laurentian Mountains, Que., the bride wore a lime-green dressmaker suit, with a brown cartwheel hat, and matching accessories, a white camel hair shorter coat, and a corsage of orchids. The bride and groom will reside in St. Catharines.

• TORONTO MEETINGS •

● LINITZER Ladies' Auxiliary met at the Workmen's Circle, Mrs. I. Ludsky presiding. Entertainments were held jointly by Mrs. I. Resnick and Mrs. M. Resnick, of 71 Lyndhurst Avenue, and by Mrs. M. Ryan, 242 Clinton Street, in aid of war victims. Mrs. P. Cappe, past president, donated money toward this fund. Mr. and Mrs. M. Kash served at their meeting in honour of the confirmation of their son, Thomas. At the closing bridge and supper at Murray House, Mrs. Nathan Glassberg, 140 Raglan Avenue, presented souvenirs to the members.

● STASHIVER Young Ladies' Auxiliary entertained at a presentation dinner at the home of Mrs. S. Gotlieb, in honour of Mrs. Alex Serota, who prior to her marriage on June 10 was Miss Bella Gotlieb. About twenty-one guests were present.

● PRIDE OF ISRAEL Ladies' Auxiliary closing luncheon and bridge was at the Belvin, Mrs. N. Albert presiding. A report on six months' work was given by the auditor, J. Naftulin. Presentations were made to Mesdames B. Bassel, M. Schwartz, S. Shukyn, B. Golden, M. Goldman, S. Parnes, for their work in the yearly raffle.

● Martin M. Cohn, formerly executive director of the United Jewish Welfare Fund, and former regional director of the Canadian Jewish Congress, has been appointed campaign director of the Jewish Charities of Chicago, Ill., second largest Jewish Welfare Organization in the United States. For the last two years Mr. and Mrs. Cohn have been living in Cleveland, Ohio, where Mr. Cohn served as field director of the Council of Jewish Welfare Funds in the East Central Region. Mr. Cohn lectured at the University of Toronto; was national president of the Canadian Association of Social Workers; and co-author of the text book, "Social Work Administration In Canada". His wife, Mrs. Tmima Littner Cohn, who served as a member of the Toronto Board of Education for three years, in Cleveland was a member of the Advisory Committee, Office Price Administration; chairman of Consumer Interests Federations of Jewish Women's Clubs; and active in other organizations. Mr. and Mrs. Cohn are on vacation at their summer home near Wasaga, Ontario, and will take up residence in Chicago early in the fall.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mr. and Mrs. I. Ungerman, 216 Royce Avenue, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Ida, to Manfred Wolff, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Wolff, the marriage to take place on October 7, at Beth Jacob Synagogue.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Burstyn, 219 Brunswick Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sylvia, to Morris Sydney Werger, son of Mrs. R. Werger and the late Joseph P. Werger.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Berger, 32 Rusholme Drive, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Ray, to Harold Held, U.S.N.R., son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Held, of Paterson, N.J.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bogach, of Winnipeg, Man., announce the engagement of their only daughter, Mollie, to Myer Patlik, son of H. Patlik, Huron Street, and the late Mrs. Patlik.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Levine, 214 Augusta Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Hilda, to Sydney Blackman, son of Mrs. A. Blackman, 14 Bellevue Avenue, and the late A. Blackman.

BIRTHS

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Irving Heft (nee Nettye Hebscher), 5301 Victoria Avenue, Montreal, Que., a daughter, Maxine Ellen, sister of Stanley Gordon, at the Jewish General Hospital, in Montreal, on June 14; granddaughter of Mrs. E. Hebscher, 810 Spadina Avenue; and of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Heft, Hutchison Street, Montreal; great-granddaughter of Mrs. A. Greenfeld, of Hamilton, Ont.; and of Mrs. C. Hebscher, of New York.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fisher (nee Clara Kay), 118 Roxton Road, at Toronto Western Hospital, on June 26, a daughter, Gail Arlene. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. D. Lapidus, Denison Avenue; and H. Fisher, of Los Angeles, Cal.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abella (nee Thelma Halstick), 555 Ossington Avenue, at Toronto General Hospital, on June 27, a daughter, Brenda, sister of Dianna and Errol. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. Halstick, Euclid Avenue; and Mrs. M. R. Abella, Robert Street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hirshoran (nee Esther Steinberg), 610 Dufferin Street, at Mount Sinai Hospital, on June 27, a son, Joel Ronald. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. M. Steinberg, Dufferin Street; and Mrs. A. Hirshoran, Arlington Avenue.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Levine (nee Muriel Fienberg), 118 Midland Street, on June 30, at Mount Sinai Hospital, a daughter, Mona Kaye. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. L. Fienberg, Vaughan Road; and Mr. and Mrs. I. Levine, of Whitby.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Golliah, of Detroit, Mich., (nee Shirley Brightman, formerly of Toronto), on July 2, at Deaconess Hospital, in Detroit, a daughter. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Brightman, Fairleigh Crescent; and Mr. and Mrs. J. Golliah, Grace Street.

DEATHS

Ely Levey, 133 Grace Street, husband of Sophie Levey, died on Saturday, June 23, in his eighty-first year. He is survived by seven daughters, Mrs. W. B. Phillips (Gertrude), Mrs. M. Marshall (Anne), Mrs. I. Burkes (Rose), Mrs. P. Phillips (Esther), Mrs. H. Caplan (Molly), of New Brunswick, N.J.; Mrs. A. Levine (Betty), of Windsor, Ont.; and Mrs. A. Sonenberg (Frances); fourteen grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Interment took place at Lambton Cemetery, Mr. Levey was a member of Grand Order of Israel.

Samuel Sommers, 29 Bellwoods Avenue, died on June 21. He is survived by his wife, Tillie; two sons, Major Joseph Sommers (overseas), and Bernard Sommers; one daughter, Mrs. Harry Hirschman (Anne); and two grandchildren. Interment took place at Jones Avenue Cemetery. Mr. Sommers was a member of Sons of Jacob Benevolent Society, and the Folks Farein.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of George Melta, killed in action July 8, 1944. Remembered by a friend.

Card Of Thanks

The family of the late Israel Hauer wish to thank their relatives, friends, Daughters of Israel Charity Society, Hebrew Friendly Ladies' Auxiliary, Fel He Shar Club, and Beth Jacob Synagogue Ladies' Auxiliary for their kind expressions of sympathy extended during their recent and bereavement.

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Active since June, 1943, the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe, Inc., has been dissolved because "its mandate has expired," it was announced. A statement pointed out that it was organized "as an emergency instrument with the primary purpose of bringing about governmental action for the rescue of the Jews in countries under German domination."

William S. Bennet and Oscar W. Ehrhorn, on behalf of the executive board, declared that the surviving Jews in Europe, although liberated in a technical sense, were still in a "most horrible plight."

While "tragically aware that on the front against massacre very few and very limited victories have been scored," the co-chairmen called attention to the fact that recent eyewitness accounts of Nazi atrocities have confirmed revelations made in the last three years for which the committee was "widely criticized and maligned." They added:

"It had to take three or four million more dead and unspeakable sufferings to convince the people that our revelations and appeals for understanding, for action, for righteous indignation, were not a sickening publicity stunt but unheeded efforts to make known the anguish and horror of a whole people. Nothing is more tragic to us than this awareness of having been right."

The committee statement condemned Great Britain for barring "the only practical route of escape and salvation—the route that led from the Balkans to Palestine." Support was urged for organizations engaged in the "next phase of the work," including the recently formed American League for a Free Palestine. This group has assumed the committee's accumulated deficit of $12,000, it was said.

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BEN-GURION

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"Though I am not in the confidence of the Big Three, to the best of my knowledge the question was discussed at the Yalta Conference, and discussed in favor of a Jewish Commonwealth," he went on. Russia is not now opposed to a Jewish Palestine state, nor is there any considerable opposition in the United Nations, he said.

A reasoning but resolute fellow, with quick eyes under shaggy brows, and a fringe of white hair, Mr. Ben-Gurion also served notice that Jews one way or another will end the restriction policy, now that the European war is done.

When asked how many Jews actually want to migrate to Palestine, he folded his arms and with elbows pressed on a table in an attitude of determined calm, he said: "As a matter of fact, tens of thousands have immigrated during the war."

Which prompted another astonishing question: by what organized means had the Jews got there? At this, he chuckled, and countered: "I am not supposed to know that! I deal with certified Jews."

He has been through a disturbance or two in the course of the many clashes with Arabs since Britain in 1923 began administering Palestine under a League of Nations mandate and under the Balfour declaration promising aid toward a Jewish state, but he insisted that Arab opposition comes from "Pashas, who live in a world of 3,000 years ago, so that if you go there you see the Bible alive."

Also holding back reversal of the White Paper policy, which limits Jewish immigration permanently to one-third of the population, are "one of the two schools of the British political imperialist fold," he stated, "some British oil interests; and a British bureaucracy of colonial administrators knowing only how to deal with backward peoples."

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"Sometimes when people censure me,
I tell them without rancor
That for what it cost me to be free,
I might have had an anchor."

Late in April one hundred and ten Jewish children, ranging in age from four years to nineteen, were liberated by American troops from a sealed train in Germany in which they were being moved from the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp to an extermination centre. With one or two exceptions they were the last living members of their families. They were among only a few thousand of the Jewish youth of central Europe who survived the Nazi plan for the Jews. Normally, they would have been members of Orthodox Jewish families in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Lithuania, and other countries overrun by the Germans. Late in April they were on their way to surest death. Early in June, unknown to them, the French State was putting up a struggle to get them for building its war-depleted population, along with several hundred other Jewish children from Buchenwald camp, most probably to convert them.

These particular children from Bergen-Belsen were the first such contingent to reach western Europe. They were in charge of a young rabbi from the Bronx, an American chaplain by the name of Captain Robert S. Marcus who had taken care of them from the time of their removal from what was to have been a death journey. He is a young man of warm heart and deep human sympathies who has written moving accounts of the sad and terrible things he has seen in the course of his duties as a chaplain, which in his case means in the course of his duties as father and mother, and brother to people who need such a friend.

When Captain Marcus arrived in Paris with the children and learned that instead of being turned over to a Jewish organization, they were to go to government care, he wept, and the children who understood what was going on wept with him. Since then, word has been received from the Joint Distribution Committee that this unnerving affair has been straightened out. How the children will be brought up remains to be seen. It is a good guess, however, that they will be completely assimilated into the French population, eventually.

Two weeks before these Jewish children were received by France, groups of Frenchmen in Paris, Lyon, and Marseilles were parading the streets, carrying banners which said: "France for Frenchmen, Crematoria for the Jews." Returning prisoners were linking their legitimate grievances with anti-Jewish sentiment and activities. So many Jews had already died in crematoria or elsewhere at German hands that of approximately one hundred thousand who had been deported from France less than two per cent have returned. The Jewish population of France makes up barely one-third of one per cent of the total population. One-third of their rabbis in France are gone, leading synagogues have been destroyed, Jewish communities are reduced in every way, thousands in Paris must be given assistance, and the general state of the Jews is one of misery, loss, bewilderment, and sorrow.

Anti-Jewish incidents in France are being attributed to the anti-Jewish feeling left by the Germans; to Fascist elements among the police which prevent action against anti-Jewish agitators; and the existence of anti-Jewish groups which are well-financed. Some of this you can discount: The French did not need to inherit anti-Semitic feeling from the Germans. They were already anti-Semitic. Of course, the police would stand by or look the other way and let other Fascists attack the Jews. And there undoubtedly are anti-Jewish, reactionary, that is, groups and, of course, they are well-financed. If they were not, what would be? But the immediate cause of the present trouble for the Jews in la belle France is probably pain in the French pocket-book.

Anti-Semitism in this case might better be called anti-return-of-Jewish-owned-property. Jews were forced out of their buildings by Vichy France. Jewish property was expropriated and those who now own it and Jewish businesses do not want to return them. Where Jews have received court judgments for the return of their property, bailiffs have refused to carry out the judgments for fear of the menacing crowds. This commercial and industrial chaos was part of the Nazi method for setting any populace against the Jews. First the Jews were robbed to reward the French for collaboration. Then, in case of a question of restoration, the French would be "robbed" and would turn against the Jews, even more than they were before.

The root trouble of the demonstrations against Jews is in the bad economic situation and the fact that the normal life of the country awaits resumption and fair and decent reconstruction. Thugs have been organized to protect property acquired from the Jews as loot, but they don't need to stop there. France is not by any means a country freed of Fascism. It is a Fascist-minded country freed of Germans. Its reactionary element can make the Jews very miserable and even kill them off in no time if this seems worth the trouble. But that's not the half of it. As long as Jew-baiting goes on it means that a terrific under-struggle is in process against the forces of progress. The regime is allowing the Jews to be used as a scapegoat to make a clamor and to divert the attention of the people from the real causes of their unrest. It is the same old screen and at work behind it are the same old hands of reaction bent on keeping a strong hold on control of the country. The question is not what will happen to the few dispirited and impoverished Jews in this troubled corner of the world but what will happen to all moral, social, and democratic movements there. *I.f.c.*

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France where they are receiving "excellent care".

"About four-fifths of the children are staying in an OSE home at Ecouy," Dr. Schwartz said, "while the others are in Paris. The OSE is supported chiefly by the J.D.C. "No one who has seen this group of 515 boys and 20 girls will ever forget the incredulity, joy and thankfulness which shone in their sunken-cheeked faces when they were freed and later fed, clothed and housed," Dr. Schwartz added.

Most of the children were born in Poland and Hungary. American troops freed 92 who were found in a sealed train bound for an extermination camp in Poland. Dr. Schwartz said that this group was the one referred to in recent newspaper articles reporting a dispute between the OSE and the French authorities as to who would assume responsibility for these children. The matter has been cleared up and the children are being aided by the OSE, a J.D.C.-supported Jewish children's health and welfare society.

"All the children over eight have worked in cement ammunition factories for 12 and 14 hours daily," Dr. Schwartz said. "Their daily rations consisted of one small piece of black bread and turnip soup. Practically all of the children are over-matured mentally, but their bodies are miserably retarded. One five-year-old boy, carried by the older children, looked like a child of two years."

Dr. Schwartz returned at this time to work out various urgent problems which confront the Joint Distribution Committee in its task of immediate relief and long-range rehabilitation in behalf of the surviving Jews in Europe. His own survey of conditions in the liberated areas leads him to estimate the number of surviving Jews in Europe to be close to 1,250,000. Since last October, Dr. Schwartz has visited France, England, Holland, Belgium, Italy, Switzerland, Greece and the Middle East, where he supervised and in some instances organized relief projects for destitute Jewish communities.

The Joint Distribution Committee, which for the past thirty years has been helping impoverished and needy Jews throughout the world, is moving at top speed to revive and rebuild the surviving Jewish communities who escaped the German fury. At present the Committee has a staff of 27 American representatives stationed throughout Europe carrying out its programs.

Dr. Schwartz said that the Jews in Europe have little or nothing. Their synagogues, schools, even cemeteries, have been destroyed. The Committee is now affording aid in one form or another in every European country where Jews need help. This year, more than $18,500,000, or over $2,300,000 a month, has been appropriated to meet the urgent pleas for help coming from Europe's Jews. Since V-E Day, emergency appeals and requests for funds have been pouring into the J.D.C. headquarters.

Rumania has become the centre for J.D.C. operations in Hungary, Bulgaria, and Czechoslovakia, Dr. Schwartz said. He estimated that there are now about 310,000 Jews in Rumania. Recent J.D.C. shipments in this area include over 30,000 pairs of shoes; 78 cases of clothing; about 5,000 sheepskins; and 55 cases of medicine.

In Poland, Dr. Schwartz stated, the 40,000 Polish Jews who have returned from hiding in the hills and who were liberated from labor camps, are in dire need of food, bedding and medicines. Tuberculosis, particularly among the children, is creating desperate problems. Supplies are being sent from Teheran to Lublin at the rate of approximately fifty tons a week. The Joint Distribution Committee purchased recently for the Polish Jews 10,000 woolen blankets; 10,000 pairs of army boots; 7,500 men's blouses; 7,500 pairs of trousers; 120,000 pounds of sugar; and 50,000 pounds of powdered milk.

In Holland, the Committee has set aside $70,000 for the purchase of badly needed clothing, the setting up of two children's homes and for the restoration of synagogues. Dr. Schwartz said that special efforts are being made in Holland on behalf of the orphans who had been hidden throughout the occupation in Christian homes and institutions.

The local Dutch committee has been authorized to distribute $10,000 for immediate assistance to approximately 800 internees who have recently been liberated from the notorious Westerbork concentration camp.

With the aid of the military authorities, the Committee has established feeding centres in various North Italian cities. $50,000 per month has been granted for this purpose.

Nearly 2,000 Jews were enabled to enter Palestine this year, Dr. Schwartz said, the Committee paying costs of transportation.